MINUTES
KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY
FINANCE/SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
OJIBWA CASINO RESORT CONFERENCE ROOM
THURSDAY – JULY 6, 2017 – 9:00 A.M.

A. Date: July 6, 2017

B. Call to Order: President Swartz called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

C. Invocation: Lord’s Prayer

D. Roll Call: Present: Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
Jennifer Misegan, Vice President
Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary
Toni J. Minton, Assistant Secretary (left at 11:58 a.m.)
Doreen G. Blaker, Treasurer
Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.
Fred Dakota (arrived at 9:11 a.m., left at 10:41 a.m.)
Randall R. Haataja
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.
Rodney Loonsfoot
Elizabeth D. Mayo

E. Declaration of Quorum: President Swartz declared a quorum present and proceeded with the order of business.

F. Approval of Agenda: July 6, 2017

Additions:

4. President Swartz – Closure for the Friday of Powwow Weekend

Closed Session:

3. Doreen Blaker, Housing Director – Housing Issue
   (Delete Retirement Policy)
4. Susan LaFernier, Secretary – Employee Issue regarding Personnel Policy
5. Larry Denomie III, CEO/Don Wren, Ojibwa Casinos
   General Manager/James Orr, Marketing Director – Marketing Presentation
6. Larry Denomie III, CEO/Don Wren, Ojibwa Casinos
   General Manager – HR Organizational Structure
Rodney Loonsfoot requested the Veterans Princess Discussion to be moved into Open Session. President Swartz denied his request because of the sensitive information that is going to be discussed.

Fred Dakota arrived at 9:11 a.m.

**MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE CHANGES. CO-SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON AND GARY F. LOONSFOOT, JR. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, TWO ABSTAINING (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

G. New Business:

1. Bobby Escobar, Assistant Tribal Attorney –
   a) Kathy Mayo, Assistant Health Administrator – Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc. Memorandum of Cooperative Agreement regarding Michigan Tribal Food Access Collaborative Project/Work Plan $40,000.00 (effective dates 05/01/2017 – 04/30/2018) regarding nutrition for children ages 3-11 and their families

   **MOTION MADE BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. TO APPROVE THE INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL OF MICHIGAN, INC. MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT REGARDING THE MICHIGAN TRIBAL FOOD ACCESS COLLABORATIVE PROJECT. SUPPORTED BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER. ALL IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

   b) Jeanne Hirzel, Substance Abuse Programs Director - Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc. Memorandum of Agreement regarding the Tribal Opioid Treatment and Recovery Initiative (TOTR)/Provider Agreement similar to the ATR Program

   **MOTION MADE BY SUSAN J. LAFERNIER TO APPROVE THE TRIBAL OPIOID TREATMENT AND RECOVERY INITIATIVE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL OF MICHIGAN, INC. SUPPORTED BY TONI J. MINTON. TEN IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ONE ABSTAINING (Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.), ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.**

2. Jason Ayres, Real Estate Officer – Renewal of Special Use Permit for Cutting/Baling Hay (Requested by Joseph Robillard and James Lahti for personal use located on Vuk/Brewery Road area)

The Council would like a bale of hay donated to the TD Safe Haven Horse Rescue and Darrell Kingbird.
MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL USE PERMIT RENEWAL FOR JOSEPH ROBILLARD AND JAMES LAHTI TO CUT AND BALE HAY. CO-SUPPORTED BY RANDALL R. HAATAJA AND ELIZABETH D. MAYO. ALL IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

3. Terri Denomie (not present) – 4th Annual Pauline Knapp Spruce Memorial Water Walk Donation Request $2,400.00 ($1,000 funded from the Cultural Committee budget and THPO will assist with the event). More information is needed regarding the number of T-shirts remaining from last year and the honorarium recipients. [Postponed until later in the day]

4. President Swartz – Closure for the Friday of Powwow Weekend (July 21, 2017)

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO MAKE THE FRIDAY OF POWWOW WEEKEND A CLOSURE DAY FOR EMPLOYEES. SUPPORTED BY FRED DAKOTA. THREE IN FAVOR (Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo), SEVEN OPPOSED (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot), ONE ABSTAINING (Doreen G. Blaker), ABSENT - 0, MOTION DEFEATED.

H. Closed Session:

1. Francis J. LaPointe, Jr., CFO (Terri Denomie – Donation) – Finance [Open to KBIC Members]
2. Danielle Webb, Tribal Attorney - Update
3. Doreen Blaker, Housing Director – Housing Issues
4. Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. – Veterans Princess Discussion
5. Susan LaFernier, Secretary – Employee Issue regarding Personnel Policy (letter)
6. Larry Denomie III, CEO/Don Wren, Ojibwa Casinos General Manager/James Orr, Marketing Director – Marketing PowerPoint Presentation
7. Larry Denomie III, CEO/Don Wren, Ojibwa Casinos General Manager – HR Organizational Structure

MOTION MADE BY TONI J. MINTON TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 9:42 A.M. AND THE FINANCE OPEN TO KBIC MEMBERS. SUPPORTED BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. ALL IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, ABSENT - 0, MOTION CARRIED.

Break: 9:43 – 9:57 a.m.

Fred Dakota left 10:41 a.m.
Lunch: 11:58 a.m. – 1:07 p.m. (Toni Minton left)

Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. returned from lunch at 1:10 p.m.

Break: 2:13 – 2:17 p.m.

MOTION MADE BY MICHAEL F. LAFERNIER, SR. TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION AT 3:50 P.M. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota), MOTION CARRIED.

4th Annual Pauline Knapp Spruce Memorial Water Walk

MOTION MADE BY DOREEN G. BLAKER TO APPROVE A DONATION OF $800.00 FOR THE 2017 WATER WALK. SUPPORTED BY JENNIFER MISEGAN. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota), MOTION CARRIED.

Ojibwa Casinos Marketing Budget Modification

MOTION MADE BY ELIZABETH D. MAYO TO APPROVE AN INCREASE TO THE MARKETING BUDGET UP TO $150,000.00 FOR THE PROMOTIONS DISCUSSED AND AUTHORIZE THE PRESIDENT TO SIGN SAID CONTRACTS. SUPPORTED BY DOREEN G. BLAKER. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota), MOTION CARRIED.

I. Adjournment:

MOTION MADE BY JENNIFER MISEGAN TO ADJOURN AT 3:53 P.M. CO-SUPPORTED BY ROBERT R.D. CURTIS, JR. AND ELIZABETH D. MAYO. NINE IN FAVOR (Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFernier, Doreen G. Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall R. Haataja, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, Elizabeth D. Mayo), OPPOSED - 0, ABSTAINING - 0, TWO ABSENT (Toni J. Minton, Fred Dakota), MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Loonsfoot
Administrative Specialist
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